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Man apologizes for false accusation



George Van Macklebergh, vice-president of the Winnipeg Police Association, sits with Evan Maud before Maud makes his apology Thursday for falsely accusing two officers of taking him for a "starlight tour" outside city limits. SHANE GIBSON/METRO

Starlight fib. Maud did not say why he accused police of leaving him alone in freezing weather

A young aboriginal man has apologized for falsely accusing two police officers of taking him on a so-called starlight tour.

Winnipeg police and native leaders hope the apology will help improve the sometimes-bitter relationship between officers on the beat and aboriginal residents in the inner city.

"I'm sorry for jeopardizing the reputation of the Winnipeg Police Service. I want to say sorry to the police officers for putting them in that situation," Evan Maud, 22, said Thursday in his apology.

The public show of remorse was part of a restorative-justice program that allowed Maud to avoid trial on a public mischief charge.

On Dec. 3, 2010, Maud claimed that he had been walking down a street when he was stopped by two officers in a pa-

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"It's between him and the Creator. You know, we all have whatever secrets and he acknowledged today that he is sorry."

Joseph Maud, Evan's uncle

trol car who accused him of being drunk. He said the officers drove him outside city limits, took his coat and left him alone in freezing weather.

Maud's story quickly unravelled. Video from Winnipeg Transit showed that he was on board a bus at the time. The police cruiser's GPS showed the vehicle wasn't anywhere near city limits.

The police members' union accepted Maud's apology.

"I congratulate Evan on his bravery to admit that and to go through this process, because I'm sure it can be very intimidating as a young man," said George Van Macklebergh, vice-president of the Winnipeg Police Association.

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Sensational twist in Pistorius case

Detective becomes defendant with revelation investigator is charged with attempted murder PAGE 11

Smilin' Jack

Winnipeg-shot film about Jack Layton's life meant to transcend politics, show a love story and even make you chuckle PAGE 23

Which host had the most?

As Seth MacFarlane gets ready to skewer the stars on Oscar night, we stack up the performances of those who came before. Check out our Academy Awards package

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Mayor Sam Katz announces a funding partnership between the city, province and Garden City Community Centre Thursday that will see a \$17-million expansion started at the club in the spring. SHANE GIBSON/METRO

Expansion of two community centres part of city strategy

Investment. City hopes to move away from operating arenas with partnerships



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Major expansions announced at two Winnipeg community centres Thursday are the first to use a community partnership strategy the city hopes will eventually lead it out of the business of running arenas.

Mayor Sam Katz and Coun. Russ Wyatt (Transcona) were at the East End Community Centre over the lunch hour to announce a 48,000-square-foot expansion that will see a third rink, a 500-seat bleacher area and a number of improvements made to the facility through a \$9-million funding partnership between the city, province and the centre.

"We need to renew and keep ice in the community and this is a way to do it," said Wyatt, explaining the project is part of city's new indoor-arena strategy, where city-owned and operated arenas are decommissioned, declared

Target

2014

The work at Garden City Community Centre should be finished by fall 2014.

surplus and then sold to pay for recreational projects and additional rinks at city-owned but community-operated clubs. "This community club is sustainable ... they don't lose money."

The city plans to close and sell the land under the Roland Michener Arena — which Wyatt said loses as much as

\$270,000 a year — when the East End Community Centre's expansion is complete by fall 2014.

Another three-way partnership between the city, province and the Garden City Community Centre was announced later in the day that will see \$17 million spent on a new 100,000-square-foot multiplex with a twin rink arena built next to the existing centre.

The work at Garden City Community Centre should be finished by fall 2014, at which time the city plans on decommissioning the Vimy Arena and Old Exhibition Arena.

Damaged ceiling

Raccoon closes golf clubhouse

The City of Winnipeg closed the Windsor Park Golf Course Clubhouse Thursday after a raccoon managed to make its way to the attic of the building.

The clubhouse was closed for about two hours starting around noon after workers noticed the ceiling had been damaged.

A spokesperson for the city said the raccoon had to be captured and the site cleaned. **METRO**

Moving to Mexico

Winnipegger selling his life for a cool million

Who doesn't dream of selling everything they own and moving to run a hotel in Mexico?

In an ad placed on classified website Kijiji.ca, Gags Unlimited owner Kerry Hogan is selling everything he owns — including his business, his house and his dog — for \$1.1 million.

Hogan told media he's actually kidding about his dog, a 12-year-old Yorkshire terrier. The dog, presumably, will go with him when he manages to sell everything and moves to Mexico, where he hopes to buy a small hotel. **METRO**

Sound of summer

Kiss coming to 'Peg, Brandon?

An ad on Gene Simmons' website says Kiss is planning to make a stop in Winnipeg in July. The ad names several Canadian dates, ranging from July 5 through Aug. 3, and shows the group making its way from Victoria to St. John, N.B. The ad states the band will be coming to Winnipeg on July 22 and Brandon on July 18. **METRO**

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Dog-adoption sale. Animal Services Agency nears maximum capacity

The City of Winnipeg is putting its dogs on sale again.

The city's Animal Services Agency is near maximum capacity at its pound at 1057 Logan Ave. Currently, 38 dogs are up for adoption while 20 dogs are strays waiting for their owners to pick them up.

The adoption sale begins Thursday and will run until Sunday. Dogs are \$99 and come spayed/neutered with a licence, microchip, basic shots, food and health insurance. **METRO**



Iggy the dog is up for adoption.
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The numbers

In 2012, Animal Services managed:

- Incidents: 13,396
- Dog licences: 63,600
- Dogs handled: 1,601
- Adoptions: 497

In 2012, Animal Services ex-

perienced a 94 per cent live release rate, which means 94 per cent of the dogs that entered the agency were either returned to their owner, adopted or sent to an animal rescue organization.

Source: City of Winnipeg Animal Services Agency



Throw open the doors

Stephanie Forsythe, president of Red River College's Paterson GlobalFoods Institute, officially opened Jane's, its anchor restaurant, on Thursday. Jane's is named after Jane B. Paterson, the mother of Andrew Paterson, the current owner of Paterson GlobalFoods Inc.

DAVE BAXTER/METRO



\$2 house gets new lease on life

Jeremy Soldat flashes a big smile in the kitchen of a house he helped renovate at 286 Powers St. The house, which was sold to Inner City Youth Alive by the city for \$2, has been completely transformed. **DAVE BAXTER/METRO**

Lease golf courses, contract custodians?

Tax savings. City could save \$1.85 million a year, says Coun. Russ Wyatt



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The City of Winnipeg is asking the alternative services delivery committee to approve a plan that would see the city's four remaining golf courses be leased and to contract out custodial services.

In two separate press releases sent out simultaneously, ASD committee chair Coun. Russ Wyatt said the city could save about \$1.85 million yearly

Quoted

"The city stated that no full-time union jobs would be lost in the process, that union workers would be offered positions in other departments, and every effort would be made to keep seasonal employees on."

Coun. Russ Wyatt

by making those changes.

"In an effort to make the best use of taxpayers' dollars, we are offering both the union and the private sector the opportunity to come forward with proposals that will ensure city-owned/run golf courses are no longer being run at the expense of the taxpayer," said Wyatt.

The city auditor noted in a recent review that Crescent Drive, Harbour View, Kildonan Park and Windsor Park golf courses are losing \$850,000 a year, in addition to needing \$4.6 million in upgrades. There are currently eight other city-owned golf courses being run by private companies.

"If its recommendations are

approved, the public service would initiate a 45-day process which allows the union to make a proposal aimed at reducing golf operations' reliance on tax dollars," states the release, referring to CUPE, whose workers run the courses under union contract.

Wyatt also said the city could see a savings of \$1 million if custodial services are contracted out. Right now, said Wyatt, 64 per cent of custodial services are contracted out, and if the plan is approved, 100 per cent would be contracted out.

The same 45-day process for CUPE to come up with savings for golf courses would apply to custodial contracts, said Wyatt.

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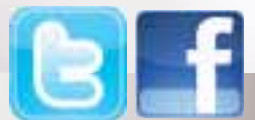
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In Flames puts the pedal to the metal

Concert. Swede rockers are on the road again and gearing up for Saturday's Winnipeg gig



JARED STORY
For Metro

Swedish metal band In Flames has toured relentlessly in recent years. In fact, the group's current run is its fourth tour of North America since the release of 2011's *Sounds of a Playground Fading*.

Now, only if In Flames could write songs on the road.

"Being on the road is a great way of making a living, but it's not very inspiring creatively," said guitarist Björn Gelotte. "There's too much downtime. When I'm writing, I need to be in a nice place with everything functioning correctly so I can just press a button and start recording."

Still, Gelotte said In Flames — which formed in Gothenburg, Sweden, in 1990 — plans



Swedish metal supergroup In Flames comes to the Garrick on Saturday. PATRIC ULLAEUS

to have a follow-up to *Playground Fading* completed by the end of the year.

"We're thinking of doing Eurotechno on the next album," Gelotte said jokingly. "We don't have a plan. We sort of let it shape itself. But I can say that it will be very guitar-oriented as always. I mean, we're a metal band."

In 2010, guitarist and In Flames founder Jesper Strömblad left the band after a long struggle with alcoholism. Gelotte said his replacement Niclas Engelin has breathed

Quoted

"Niclas (Engelin) has helped me tremendously with my own guitar playing because we jam hours a day together, something I didn't do with Jesper (Strömblad, former bandmate). Plus it's a lot of fun."

In Flames guitarist Björn Gelotte

new life into the band, which also includes vocalist Anders Fridén, drummer Daniel Svensson and bassist Peter Iwers.

"He's a very accurate guitar player, a very fast and technical rhythm guitar player,"

Gelotte said.

In Flames plays the Garrick Centre on Saturday. Demon Hunter, All Shall Perish and Battlecross open. Tickets are \$48 at Ticketmaster. Showtime is 6:30 p.m.

This is it?

Blood Pressure — the latest from Winnipeg/Toronto filmmaker Sean Garrity — focuses on Nicole, a 41-year-old pharmacist, suburban wife and mother who's at that midlife-crisis point in her life.

One day she gets a letter from an anonymous admirer who knows everything about her, including her potential. He has a plan for her and asks her to put the accompanying green card in the window if she wants to take part in this mysterious relationship. She puts the card in the window.

"Other people make films that are about immigrants who come from war-torn Africa or that are about really abusive families and violence, but growing up in Charleswood, that wasn't my experience," Garrity said.

"My experience was asking questions about a vague feeling of unfulfillment in this suburb that's designed to meet all of your needs. I'm interested in that territory for stories because I think there's a certain universality to it."

Based on a short story by Winnipeg writer Bill Fugler, *Blood Pressure* stars Michelle Giroux as Nicole. Garrity said the film is "for lack of a better

Quoted

"My experience was asking questions about a vague feeling of unfulfillment in this suburb that's designed to meet all of your needs."

Sean Garrity, filmmaker

word, a thriller" and in test screenings did very well with the 35 to 55 female demographic. He said it's been hard to convince Canadian distributors that a thriller for middle-aged women is a good idea.

"If you don't put anything out for (middle-aged women) in the cinema, then they don't go to the cinema. But from the distributor's point of view it's they're not coming to the cinema, so why would we put anything in there for them?"

Blood Pressure screens at Cinematheque Friday, Saturday and Sunday and again on Wednesday. Garrity will be on hand for a panel discussion after Friday's screening. Showtime is 7 p.m. nightly.

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Blood Pressure runs this weekend and Wednesday at Cinematheque.

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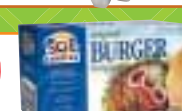
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Part 3

The final part of Metro's series on Canadian innovation may include some failed ideas, but could we have a winner when it comes to today's design?

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Why are some cities more innovative than others? Find out from Calgary Mayor Naheed Nenshi at metronews.ca/videoaheednenshi



Self-made millionaire Arlene Dickinson was a struggling single mom of four when she turned Venture Communications into one of Canada's largest and most successful communications firms. CHRISTOPHER WAHL/CONTRIBUTED

A DRAGON'S
EYE VIEW

Entrepreneur and TV personality Arlene Dickinson weighs in on Canada's innovation inertia



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The 2008 recession put a damper on **innovation** in Canada, says Arlene Dickinson of Dragons' Den, and while things are now "turning a corner," she believes the country still has a long way to go.

"Other places have been innovating at a **rapid** speed, and we haven't been putting as much time and attention into it," Dickinson told Metro in a recent interview.

"My concern about the state of innovation is that it's lagging behind."

The problem, according to the high-profile investor and businesswoman, is not a lack of **entrepreneurial spirit** in Canada.

Quite the contrary, in fact. "You think about Dragons' Den and the number of entrepreneurs in the country that are coming forward — I think

we are being very entrepreneurial," Dickinson said.

"But that's kind of a new **phenomenon**. That's happened in the last three or four years as we come out of a bad economy, because that's what's going to drive a new economy."

The sticking point for many of these would-be innovators is going from **concept** to **commercialization**.

As an example, she pointed to the "3-D Sawhorse" — an innovative hardware product developed in the garage of 82-year-old Sam Koffski, which Dickinson snapped up on Season 6 of Dragons' Den.

Falling behind

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Venture Communications CEO Arlene Dickinson

The elderly entrepreneur had a great idea on his hands, Dickinson said, but struggled finding the **effective** financing, patents, manufacturing and distribution.

With a little help, though, that soon changed, and the product could hit retail shelves by the spring.

"It's about to go into stores, hopefully across the world," Dickinson said. "Sometimes what great **ideas** need is just somebody to open the doors and also to put the weight behind the idea to make it successful."

On a broader scale, Dickinson said Canada needs to change its **mentality** when it comes to innovation and make it a large part of the national discourse.

"We have to start talking about it more, making it part of the conversation of business in this country," she said. "If we don't, we're going to be in trouble. We're going to be left behind, absolutely."

Canada's closet of colossal failures

With great ideas come great failures, and Canada has had plenty of failures. But that's really no surprise given Canadians' entrepreneurial spirit.

Tom Villemaire is the co-author of Colossal Canadian Failures, a short history of things that seemed like a good idea at the time and an ode to Canada's innovative spirit gone **haywire**. Metro spoke with him about why failure is an important step in the innovative process.

In terms of innovation, where exactly did most of these ideas fail?

A lot of these so-called failures were victims of timing — they were good ideas but out of synch with the times. Some were marketing failures — the consumers just weren't convinced of the **potential**. Others were situations where the inventor was the victim of backers who lost confidence too early or got greedy. And some were just weird. George Kavanaugh's idea to use carrots for rectal treatment (with a recess in the carrot for medication) was really an odd idea from the start. And the idea of a perpetual motion machine made from wood — which, as we all know, creates sparks when two pieces of it are rubbed together and which, as we all know, burns very easily

— was just plain wrong.

What was the best idea that went wrong? Why? And could it have worked if the situation was different?

Well, there are a few contenders, but I think ultimately it has to be the Avro Arrow — a supersonic, all-weather jet fighter that did very well in test flights with pilots.

But like almost every other government project, the **costs** were significantly higher than had been initially estimated (\$1.5 million to \$400 million to \$700 million). The Liberals were in power when the Arrow was built and had to defend the expense. When John Diefenbaker's Conservatives defeated the Liberals in 1957, it took them under two years to cancel the Arrow program.

Were these mostly bad ideas or were they just developed wrong?

Some were bad ideas from the start, but in a lot of other cases, the inventors — or their backers — just lacked the self-confidence or **resources** to follow something through. Two guys from Toronto had a working light bulb before Thomas Edison. They couldn't raise money to develop it so they sold the patent to Edison, who was working on some-

thing similar and just rolled their idea into the mix.

Would you still call these inventors innovators, just because they were willing to try something new and different?

Many of these people were innovators and were **brilliant**. Not all, however. Samuel Hughes was a Conservative minister in charge of getting Canada ready for the First World War. Among his other questionable decisions, he registered a patent in his secretary's name for a new and **improved** shovel and ordered the shovels for his troops. In fact, the soldiers needed shovels to dig the foxholes and trenches that would help protect them in battle. But Hughes' secretary suggested they could use the shovels as shields and put holes in them so the soldiers could shoot from behind them. A shovel with a hole in it just isn't the most effective shovel.

Has Canada learned from these mistakes?

I think Canada has learned a little, but there are still plenty of Canadians who head south to "make it big," and that is a **symptom** of a problem. And some might say Canada doesn't always have the confidence and **boldness**

to support its inventors and innovators.

Can future innovators learn from them?

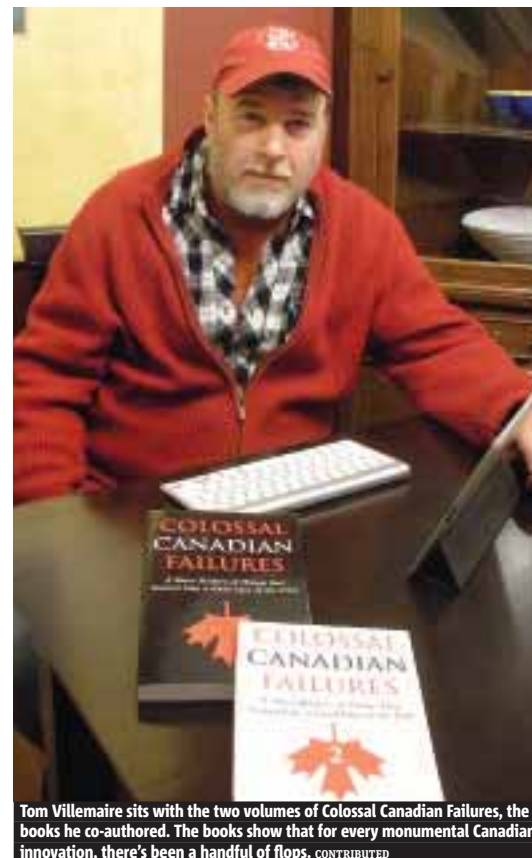
I think future innovators can draw **inspiration** from even the failures. Anyone who wants to try something new is daring to break new ground. That's a scary thing. Failure and doing something new are roommates; they're twins. You can't have one without the other. Even Alexander Graham Bell had failures — like the Cygnet II, a plane he designed with wings created from a wall of kites. At the time, there was nothing that had enough power to get the plane airborne in the first place. But he's not remembered for that; he's remembered for his **successes**.

How do you see Canada in terms of innovative thinking these days?

We have pretty **amazing** technology people in Canada. You look at the BlackBerry and the Canadarm and even the arms industry with the LAV3 or Stryker. **High-tech** means high pay and good jobs, so it's important to keep that kind of thing in the country.

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For text of the full interview, visit metronews.ca/innovation



Tom Villemaire sits with the two volumes of Colossal Canadian Failures, the books he co-authored. The books show that for every monumental Canadian innovation, there's been a handful of flops. CONTRIBUTED

EI overhaul. Feds crack down on insurance claims with home visits

Prime Minister Stephen Harper says hundreds of millions of dollars are lost through false or inappropriate employment insurance claims and the federal government wants to curb that.

Federal workers are now visiting employment insurance recipients at home, the prime minister confirmed Thursday in response to a report from The Canadian Press. He said the government must ensure the EI system's integrity.

"Every year, unfortunately, in our employment insurance system, hundreds of millions of dollars are identified or are lost through false, or fraudulent or inappropriate claims," Harper said while in Saskatoon for an unrelated announcement.

"One of the jobs of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada is to ensure that the funds in the employment insurance system are there for people who have lost their jobs, who qualify and who need that help."

He spoke following a report that public servants have been making unannounced visits since January, as part of an examination being conducted while the EI program is overhauled.

During those visits federal

Controversial changes

From now on, people who frequently claim EI are expected to accept any job for which they're qualified, within 100 kilometres of home, as long as the pay is 70 per cent of their previous salary.

- They must also prove they're actively seeking work.
- Opponents say the plan is particularly harsh on Atlantic Canada and Quebec, which have a number of seasonal industries.

employees have been hand-delivering questionnaires and requests for people to appear at their regular EI interviews.

About 1,200 EI beneficiaries will be receiving the visits through the end of next month. A group of 50 federal civil servants have been assigned to make the house calls.

A federal workers' union representative has told The Canadian Press that she had already been concerned for government employees because of the controversy over EI changes. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

India. Police search for men accused of raping and killing three sisters

Indian police said Thursday they have launched a manhunt for men suspected of raping and killing three sisters, aged five to 11, in the latest case of sexual violence to grip the country.

The sisters' bodies were found in a village well in Maharashtra state on Feb. 14 after they had gone missing from school, police officer Javed Ahmed said. The area is more than 1,000 kilometres south of New Delhi, the capital.

As the victims' mother accused police of a shoddy investigation, enraged villagers forced shops to close, burned tires and blocked a national highway passing through the

New law

A new law enacted by the Indian government has increased the sentences for rape from seven to 10 years to a maximum of 20 years. It also provides for the death penalty in extreme cases of rape that result in death or leave the victim in a coma.

area for several hours on Wednesday, demanding justice.

One police officer has been suspended for not acting promptly, said Indian Heavy Industries Minister Praful Patel.

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Germany

Catholic hospitals can prescribe pill to rape victims

Roman Catholic-run hospitals can prescribe limited emergency contraception to rape victims, German bishops said Thursday as

they sought to contain fallout from an embarrassing recent case in which two hospitals refused to treat a woman.

The German church was under pressure to clarify its stance after two Catholic hospitals in Cologne turned away a rape victim because of concerns over the pill.

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Flu vaccine had little effect on elderly: CDC

Study. This year the vaccine didn't perform as well as expected in adults over 65

This year's flu vaccine provided little protection to people 65 and older who got a shot, new data released by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control reveal.

The study estimates how well the vaccine did at preventing people from becoming sick enough to need to see a doctor — preventing "medically attended flu" in influenza science parlance. And the data suggests this year the vaccine didn't perform very well for older adults.

It found that a flu shot cut an older adult's risk of contracting a case of influenza

Quoted

"Don't assume just because you got the vaccine, that (the) flu-like illness you've got can't be flu."

Dr. Joe Bresee, a flu expert with CDC



Carlos Maisonet, 73, reacts as Dr. Eva Berrios-Colon injects him with flu vaccine during a visit to the faculty practice centre at Brooklyn Hospital in New York on Jan. 15. BEBETO MATTHEWS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A H3N2 that needed medical care by only nine per cent.

When the scientists calculated the overall effectiveness — the vaccine's ability to prevent medically attended flu caused by both flu A and B viruses — the estimate was 27 per cent for older adults.

The findings are disappointing given the H3N2 component in this year's vaccine is well matched to the viruses circulating. Paradoxically, the B component of the vaccine isn't as closely matched to circulating viruses, yet it is performing better,

according to the study.

Dr. Joe Bresee, a flu expert with the CDC, said older adults need to know that if they got a flu shot and they develop flu-like illness, they may have influenza and should see a doctor to see if they should take antiviral drugs. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

New detective takes over Pistorius murder case

Ahead of a judge's decision on whether to release Oscar Pistorius on bail, South African police on Thursday appointed a new chief detective in the murder case, replacing a veteran policeman who is himself charged with attempted murder.

The sensational twist in the state's troubled investigation fuelled growing public fascination with the case against the double-amputee Olympian, who is charged with premeditated murder in the shooting death of his girlfriend, Reeva Steenkamp, in the early hours of Valentine's Day.

Much of the drama Thursday, however, happened outside the courtroom as South African police scrambled to get their investigation on track.

The decision to put police Lt. Gen. Vinesh Moonoo in charge came soon after word emerged that the initial chief investigator, Hilton Botha, is facing attempted murder charges, and a day after he offered testimony damaging to the prosecution.

Bulewa Makeke, spokeswoman for South Africa's Na-

Discrepancies

- Botha acknowledged Wednesday in court that nothing in Pistorius's version of the fatal shooting of Steenkamp contradicted what police had discovered, even though there have been some discrepancies.
- Botha also said that police had left a 9 mm slug in the toilet and had lost track of allegedly illegal ammunition found in Pistorius's home.

tional Prosecuting Authority, said the attempted murder charges had been reinstated against Botha on Feb. 4. Police say they found out about it after Botha testified in Pistorius's bail hearing Wednesday.

Botha and two other police officers had seven counts of attempted murder reinstated against them in relation to a 2011 shooting incident.

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Former investigating officer Hilton Botha sits inside the witness box during the bail hearing for Oscar Pistorius at the magistrate court in Pretoria, South Africa, Thursday. Botha, accused of attempted murder, has been replaced as lead detective in the Pistorius case. THEMBA HADEBE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Light-sabre classes let Star Wars fans feel the force



Jim Collum, foreground, and other students work on light-sabre skills during a Golden Gate Knights class in San Francisco on Feb. 10. A group of San Francisco Star Wars fans who want to travel to a galaxy not that far away have created a combat choreography class for Jedis-in-training. JEFF CHIU/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

San Francisco. Ever wanted to put 'Jedi' on your resumé? This workshop will give you the requisite moves

A group of San Francisco Star Wars fans have created a combat choreography class for Jedis-in-training with their weapon of choice: The light sabre.

At a recent class, Alain

Bloch, the self-proclaimed Jedi Master at Golden Gate Knights, demonstrated a slicing technique. He has a background in martial arts and stage combat.

"Always be mindful of the presence!" he said, donning a Luke Skywalker outfit and a green light sabre.

With Star Wars movie music coursing through the dance studio, his disciples clutch their neon-glowing light sabres. These self-proclaimed Star Wars geeks slice and parry as they follow Bloch's lead, and

Quoted

"At first (students) giggle because they think it's a little silly. Then they're like, 'Actually that's kind of cool.'" Jedi-in-training Julio Reyes

they get a little exercise, too.

People in a recent class, including a couple on a date, said they embraced their quirkiness and had even converted some

of the skeptical into the Jedi order. "At first they giggle because they think it's a little silly. Then they're like, 'Actually that's kind of cool,'" said Julio Reyes, a student.

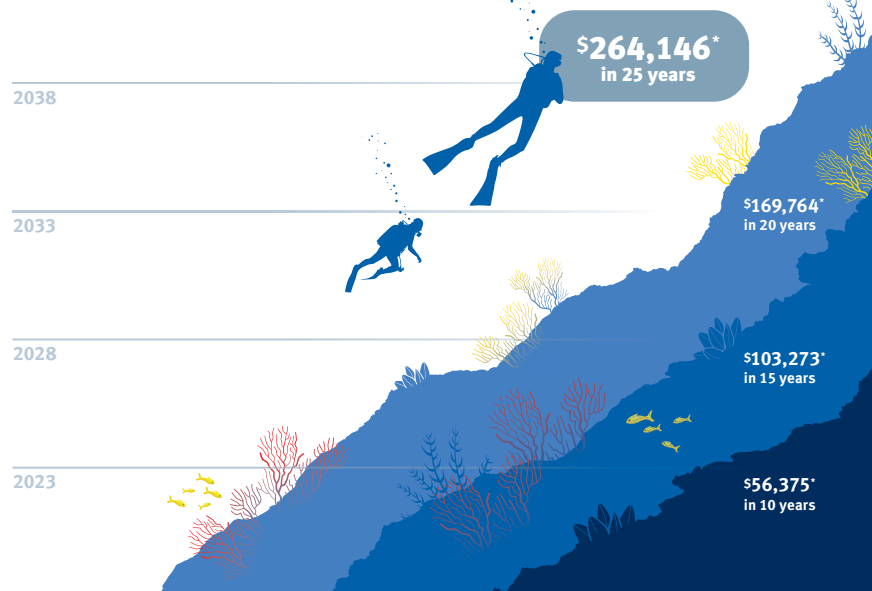
Not all Jedis-in-training are rooting for the good guys. Some came to embrace the dark side of the force. "I just love Vader, period," said the Darth Vader-clad student Gary Ripper. "Just his voice, the way he moved, the power of him. I just liked the powerfulness of him."

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Lego gets sales boost from girly product lineup

Lego's sales soared 25 per cent last year thanks in part to its new series of building blocks designed for girls. The company said that Lego Star Wars and Lego Ninjago series remained among the most popular series, but it was a novel rollout for girls, Lego Friends, that sold better than expected. The line, which includes mini-figures in pink, a dream house with a pool, and a beauty shop, drew some criticism for reinforcing gender stereotypes.

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Designed for social shopping

Not sure about a potential style purchase? This change room at the new Simons store in West Edmonton Mall is designed to help. It has a digital photo studio resembling a giant iPad, which allows consumers to take photos of their shopping experience and post the photos to social-media feeds to get instant feedback from friends. Figure3, a Toronto interior-design firm, won store of the year in Chain Store Age's 31st annual design competition for its work on the 115,000-square-foot Simons store. CONTRIBUTED

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1 **Terrence Ross.** The Raptors rookie leapfrogged a ballboy before throwing down a one-handed dunk to cement his NBA All-Star dunk contest title. The best part of the win?

He paid homage to Vince Carter by wearing his retro Raptors jersey for one dunk, and the ballboy was the son of Twitter CEO Dick Costolo. Ross should have live-tweeted as he was dunking.

2 **Seth MacFarlane.** The stuffy, formal Oscars night is loosening up, with the no-holds-barred Seth (Family Guy) MacFarlane hosting the 85th Academy Awards this Sunday. The Academy Awards going edgier like the Golden Globes does is a good thing. Because at the end of the day, who really cares about the boring acceptance speeches?

3 **Harlem Shake.** The new Gangnam Style, this Internet dance phenomenon is based on an electronic dance track by DJ Baauer. Thousands of YouTube videos are being uploaded every day of people doing it, from sports teams to office workers. And unlike Gangnam, you don't have to be a great dancer. Which means I'll be all over this meme soon.

4 **Pancake Manor.** This Canadian YouTube music video series for kids by Billy Reid has garnered more than nine million views. Featuring puppets that educate with high energy music and humour, it's great for entertaining and tiring your preschoolers out — and giving parents a break. Go to pancakemanor.com to discover this brave new kids world.

5 **Danica Patrick.** In a historic sports achievement, Patrick became the first woman to win the pole position for the Daytona 500 — the Super Bowl of NASCAR. She beat the boys by posting a lap of 196.434 m.p.h., and starts alongside Jeff Gordon in the Feb. 24 race. Two words for Patrick: girl power!

6 **Roll Up The Rim.** Tim Hortons' latest Roll Up The Rim promotion has begun. It has become so well known that it now makes headlines each time it starts up. And it's upped the ante for this, their 27th annual event, by including 100 pre-paid MasterCards loaded with \$5,000 each among the prizes. With my luck, I'll just settle for a double double.

7 **Roberto Luongo.** The Vancouver Canucks goalie may have the funniest, most self-deprecating Twitter account in sports @strombone1. He takes you inside the hockey world, poking fun at himself and others who take sport so seriously. A recent tweet said "Almost had him....." with a picture of Luongo giving up a goal he wasn't close to saving. LOL.

8 **Twitter Hacker Club.** A burglar hacked @burgerking's Twitter account Monday, changing the account to McDonald's profile pic. Then Tuesday, someone (reportedly the Whopper hacker) carhacked @jeep's account, saying it had been sold to Cadillac. This was quite a lesson in password security for both companies, but they did pick up plenty of new followers with the attention.

9 **The Junos.** The music machine that is Canadian pop star Carly Rae Jepsen picked up more award nominations this week, this time five to lead the pack for the 2013 Juno Awards, which take place in Regina on April 21. Heck, she got more than the boy who discovered her and launched her career with a tweet, the Biebs. The whole world has her number now.

10 **Big Brother Canada.** From a small-town elementary teacher in Nova Scotia to a T.O. socialite to a Calgary firefighter who likes to party, the first season of Big Brother Canada has all the makings of great Canadian reality TV — and evictions. The show debuts Feb. 27 on Slice. I know I'll be tuning in to check out the hijinks.

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Terrence Ross jumps over a ball kid for his winning dunk. ERIC GAY/POOL/GETTY IMAGES

Putting their backs into it



Mexican carpooling

Daily commute inspires art project

For most of us, riding on the back of a pickup truck would be a once-off trip, but for construction workers in Monterrey, Mexico, it's part of a daily commute. This bird's eye view of labourers is the theme of photographer Alejandro Cartagena's project Car Poolers, exhibited at Los Angeles' Kopeikin Gallery from Feb. 23 to April 6.

METRO WORLD NEWS

Q&A with photographer

'Simple, honest, life'

How did this photo project come about?
In the summer of 2011, I started going once or twice a week to the same spot — an overpass on Monterrey's Highway 85 going southbound to San Pedro Garza Garcia — to photograph these workers on their way to work. I would stay for two hours and get

just a couple of images I liked; the speed of the trucks made it difficult to get clear shots. After a year, I've arrived with around 120 good images.

How has the reaction to your photos been?
Some people in Mexico have found them humorous, others provocative, but most are very intrigued at the choice of viewpoint to portray the issue...

What issue is that?
The social and economic

kind. If these guys would go on the bus route, it would be too expensive for them, since there are no proper mass low-cost transportation systems. I hope one can reflect on how people's resilience helps them maintain hope of a better life in a country filled with social, political and violent issues.

In three words, how would you describe your photos?
Simple, honest, life.

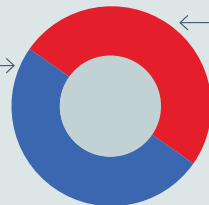
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LOL just realized Chris Jericho's twitter profile says he's from "I'm from Winnipeg you idiot". I remember that incident clearly. xD

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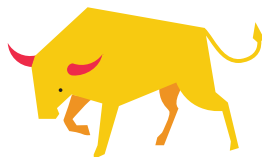
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March 21 – April 20

Aries, your independent nature will direct you down a new and winding path. Make sure you follow it closely; a delicious reward awaits you at its end.



TAURUS

April 21 – May 21

Get ready to expand your realm of loyalty and devotion, Taurus. Soon, you will be introduced to an experience so wonderful it will be hard to turn away.



GEMINI

May 22 – June 21

Gemini, next week will be lucky if you choose to harness your energy and focus on what's happening around you. Something free might very well change your life.



CANCER

June 22 – July 23

Cancer, you are a master of flexibility and going with the flow – a good thing, because something unexpected is heading your way. All you'll have to do is follow your nose.



LEO

July 24 – August 23

Your constant drive to find the very best in life will be rewarded with something surprisingly free – take pride in your find, Leo.



VIRGO

August 24 – September 23

Don't worry Virgo; your ducks are still in a row next week. However, something may be on its way to shake things up. The best part? It will cost you nothing.



LIBRA

September 24 – October 23

Ever the peaceful Libra, your good karma will come back tenfold next week. Keep your eyes peeled for something you can't quite believe is real. Trust that it will be warm and fulfilling.



SCORPIO

October 24 – November 22

We all know you're good at paying attention Scorpio – and next week will be the time to apply this skill. And don't worry about taxing your resources – this discovery will be free of charge.



SAGITTARIUS

November 23 – December 21

Soon there will be changes to your morning routine – so it's lucky Sagittarians welcome change with open arms. A bonus? It will be rich, smooth and delicious.



CAPRICORN

December 22 – January 20

Patience is a virtue, and you have it in spades Capricorn. That's why you won't mind waiting until next week to discover a new favourite thing.



AQUARIUS

January 21 – February 19

Your clever curiosity will pique in the next week, as you meet with promises of a new experience. Embrace it in its deliciousness, Aquarius.



PISCES

February 20 – March 20

Something is headed your way that even you couldn't have dreamed up, Pisces. Look forward to its arrival – it will be greater than even you could've imagined.



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Dwayne Johnson offers to hunt down a few criminals in exchange for less jail time for his son in *Snitch*. HANDOUT

Reel Guys

RICHARD
CROUSE AND
MARK BRESLIN



The Rock cooks a stinker

Snitch. It's dealers vs. Dwayne Johnson in this movie, with a heavy handed look at America's War on Drugs policy

Richard: Mark, *Snitch* isn't a bad movie, but it is a miscast one. As charismatic as The Rock... er ... Johnson is, his physicality gets in the way. The character is a determined regular Joe willing to go to any lengths to help his son. But how much more effective would it have been if he didn't resemble a cop who could crash the drug dealers he's working with between his muscular thumb and forefinger?

Mark: I wouldn't say it was miscast, but that it was too obviously cast. Your idea of casting against type, as an

everyman rather than an action hero, is a tantalizing one. I'm imagining how much more interesting a movie it would be with, say, Ryan Gosling, or even Paul Giamatti. The real question, however, is: when Susan Sarandon and Barry Pepper are support characters in a Dwayne Johnson movie, is this one of the signs of the apocalypse?

RC: Ha! I thought Pepper was OK but you could almost see Sarandon reaching for the paycheck. She has seven movies coming out this year and seems to have wedged this one in as she ran from set to set. Perhaps the movie's message that the "War on Drugs" needs to find a new plan of attack appealed to her, but she's playing this one as a character straight out of Central Casting. What did you think of Jon Bernthal as the ex-con who gives The Rock a hand. Loved him on *The Walking*

Dead and thought he was one of the best things about this movie, even if the conclusion to his story was far fetched.

MB: Well, he was the only one in the movie who brought an element of surprise to his scenes. As far as the story goes, I liked the premise, but I thought the storytelling was kind of sloppy and sometimes it felt like scenes were missing. The violence was restrained for this kind of movie, and I'm not sure if that's a good or a bad thing. And the villains barely registered. They were mostly nasty in theory.

RC: I found the lack of violence refreshing. Given the name, the star and the idea you might have expected this to be a shoot 'em up, and it isn't. It's a father and son story with a twist.

MB: Finally! A drug movie for the whole family!

Synopsis

Dwayne Johnson is John Matthews, owner of a construction company and estranged father to Jason (Rafi Gavron). Jason falls into a Kafka-esque legal loophole when his drug-dealing best friend implicates him as a trafficker in return for a break on jail time. Under America's strict "War on Drugs" laws Jason is facing a mandatory 10-year sentence unless he gives up the name of a co-conspirator, but because he's innocent he has no one to snitch on. John gets the action underway when he says to the U.S. Attorney (Susan Sarandon), "What if I do it for him? What if I help you make arrests?" Cue the cage match between The Rock and drug dealers.

- Richard: ●●●●●
- Mark: ●●●●●

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Thriller



Dark Skies

Director. Scott Stewart

Stars. Keri Russell,
Josh Hamilton

Freaky happenings abound in *Dark Skies* — a supernatural thriller about a young family that suddenly begins experiencing such disturbing events as unexplained nose bleeds and 800 birds inexplicably flying into their house. But the teeth really begin gnashing when the Barrett clan suspects the work of aliens. A loose ending may put off conventional moviegoers but filmmaker Scott Stewart crafts a pretty creepy story — even if it jumps a bit of logic.

STEVE GOW

Ewan McGregor talks about being the number one super guy

Jack the Giant Slayer. Star takes on the role of a well-intentioned knight who needs a little help from his sidekick Jack

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Metro World News in Hollywood

Ewan McGregor gets his daring-do on for director Bryan Singer in *Jack the Giant Slayer*, playing a knight who's forthright and heroic — to a fault — as he and Jack (Nicholas Hoult) try to rescue a princess from the aforementioned giants. But McGregor's inspiration for the character may surprise you.

You look fantastic in this movie. It seems like you haven't aged in the last 10 years. What gives?

(Laughs) I don't have a secret to that, I'm afraid.

Ewan McGregor, right, loves the humour of his character in *Jack the Giant Slayer*. HANDOUT

When you're presented with a forthright knight type of character, how do you approach that?

I don't know, it's a pretty

understandable character. It's a sort of classic role. It's not something new, really. I just played what was on the page, really. It's very well and

clearly written in the script. And I liked the humour. I thought the humour that was in the writing was very good. I like the fact that he's

sort of very gung-ho but very often doesn't quite get things right, and then Jack has to come along behind him and tidy things up. Sort of like a Hong Kong Phooey type style. That cartoon was one of my main sources of research, Hong Kong Phooey.

The film very carefully walks that line of appealing to both kids and adults.

I think that's right. It lies in exactly the right place for a film that's being made for a family to watch. Very often these days you take your kids to films and there's inappropriate language or sexual jokes that are very clearly aimed for the parents. You don't want your kids seeing that, or at least I don't. But this is absolutely something that you could take your family to see and you wouldn't find yourself in any awkward moments with your kids, you know? It's a classic sort of family movie.

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No Pakistani praise for film about the hunt for bin Laden

Zero Dark Thirty.

People in the Islamic republic are taking issue with the factual inaccuracies and portrayal of their land

the city of Abbottabad are also common across Pakistan, a country where conspiracy theories often have more weight than fact. But Pakistanis who have seen the film on DVD or Internet downloads are also making much of what they say are factual errors.

Nadeem F. Paracha, a columnist for the English language newspaper Dawn and a cultural critic in Pakistan, noted that in some scenes characters speak Arabic, whereas Pakistanis in fact speak Urdu or Pashto or one of the tens of other languages found in the country.

In other scenes protesters get right up to the U.S. Embassy gates, when in reality the embassy is situated in an enclosed diplomatic enclave that demonstrators can't access. Some scenes that were supposed to show the frontier city of Peshawar looked more like 19th century Delhi in India.

"How can you make a Hollywood blockbuster, put in so much money and get simple things wrong?" Paracha asked. "Instead of the film being taken seriously, it became a joke

Quoted

"How can you make a Hollywood blockbuster, put in so much money and get simple things wrong?"

Pakistani columnist Nadeem F. Paracha

among Pakistanis."

The movie traces the arc of the CIA's decade-long hunt for bin Laden through the eyes of a young female analyst, who spends most of her time ostensibly in Pakistan. Screenwriter Mark Boal visited Pakistan to do research, but the movie scenes were not shot there.

Pakistan has only a few movie theatres that show English-language films, and none so far has aired *Zero Dark Thirty*. All films shown at cinemas must be approved by a board of censors, and the head of the censor board, Dr. Raja Mustafa Hyder, said no distributor has applied for permission to show the film.

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Silver Linings Playbook (14A) Fri 4:15-
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Snitch (14A) Fri 5:15-7:55-10:30 Sat-
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The Guilt Trip (PG) Fri 6:40-9:20
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Hotel Transylvania (G) Fri 6:50 Sat-Sun
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Life of Pi 3D (PG) Fri 7:10-10 Sat-Sun
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Love Story of Singh vs Kaur (PG) Fri
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Skyfall (14A) Fri 9:50 Sat-Sun 6:50-9:50
Mon-Thu 7:30
This Is 40 (14A) Fri 6:50-9:40 Sat-Sun
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Wreck-It Ralph 3D (G) Fri 7:20-9:50
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The Adventures of Prince Achmed
(STC) Thu 7
Beauty Is Embarrassing (STC) Fri 9:30
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Identity Thief. HANDOUT

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Dark Skies (14A) Fri 7:40-10 Sat-Sun
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Side Effects (14A) Fri 7:20-9:50 Sat-Sun
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Lincoln (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri
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Les Misérables (PG) Dolby Stereo
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Hansel & Gretel: Witch Hunters (18A)
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Snitch (14A) Fri 6:50-9:20 Sat-Sun
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Warm Bodies (14A) Fri 7-9:15 Sat-Sun
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Mama (PG) Fri 12:10-2:40-5:10-7:40-
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The Metropolitan Opera: Aida Encore
(STC) Sat 11:55
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Bryan Cranston on the joys of awards season

If you see *Breaking Bad* and *Argo* star Bryan Cranston at Sunday's Academy Awards, know that he's not there of his own volition.

"First of all, I wouldn't go. If I'm not nominated, why am I there?" he tells Metro. "They want me to go the Oscars. I'm not nominated, but *Argo* is, and it's like, 'Go, go, go!' My wife's saying, 'You've got to go! We've

got to go!' And it's like, 'Really? I don't know. Another tuxedo?' From the outside in, you're like, 'Wow! Look at that!' But when you're there, I'm telling you ... I've got to be careful how I phrase this because I don't want to sound like I'm not grateful. I'm grateful for the opportunities."

It's not sitting through the shows themselves that

bug Cranston so much as working the red carpets.

"I hate red carpet interviews, because you get as a deep into a conversation as you would in a loud bar," he says. "It's awful, it's awful. The publicists, they tell me it's important and you should do it, but any time I go, I ask, 'Can I avoid the red carpet?'"

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Exclusively online

- Metro's own Ned Ehrbar will chronicle the highs and lows of the Academy Awards on Sunday night. You can follow along at metronews.ca or on Twitter with @nedrick

- Follow Dorothy Robinson's red carpet fashion critiques @dorothyatmetro



Will you be watching?

The 85th Academy Awards are on CTV Sunday and those with a stake in office pools will no doubt be glued to their sets. Hosted by Seth MacFarlane, the awards show kicks off at 8:30 p.m. ET. Both CTV and E! will have coverage of the stars walking the red carpet in their finery as they arrive at the Dolby Theatre in Hollywood.

Odds-on Oscar favourites



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Metro World News in Hollywood

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Best picture nominees vs. box office success

It's no secret in Hollywood that awards season accolades and box office success don't always go hand in hand — though a high-profile nomination or win will generally boost a film's gross.

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Life of Pi. HANDOUT

So how do the nine best picture nominees rank as far as their global ticket sales?

1. Life of Pi: \$576 million
2. Les Misérables: \$378.9 million
3. Django Unchained: \$365.9 million
4. Lincoln: \$235 million
5. Argo: \$204 million
6. Silver Linings Playbook: \$140 million
7. Zero Dark Thirty: \$101.5 million
8. Amour: \$17 million
9. Beasts of the Southern Wild: \$12 million



The Avengers. HANDOUT

On the flip side, we take a look at how the highest grossing films of 2012 stack up when it comes to Oscar nominations:

1. The Avengers (\$1.5 billion) — 1 nomination
2. Skyfall (\$1.1 billion) — 5 nominations
3. The Dark Knight Rises (\$1.08 billion) 0 nominations
4. The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey (\$959.8 million) — 3 nominations
5. Ice Age: Continental Drift (\$875.3 million) — 0 nominations



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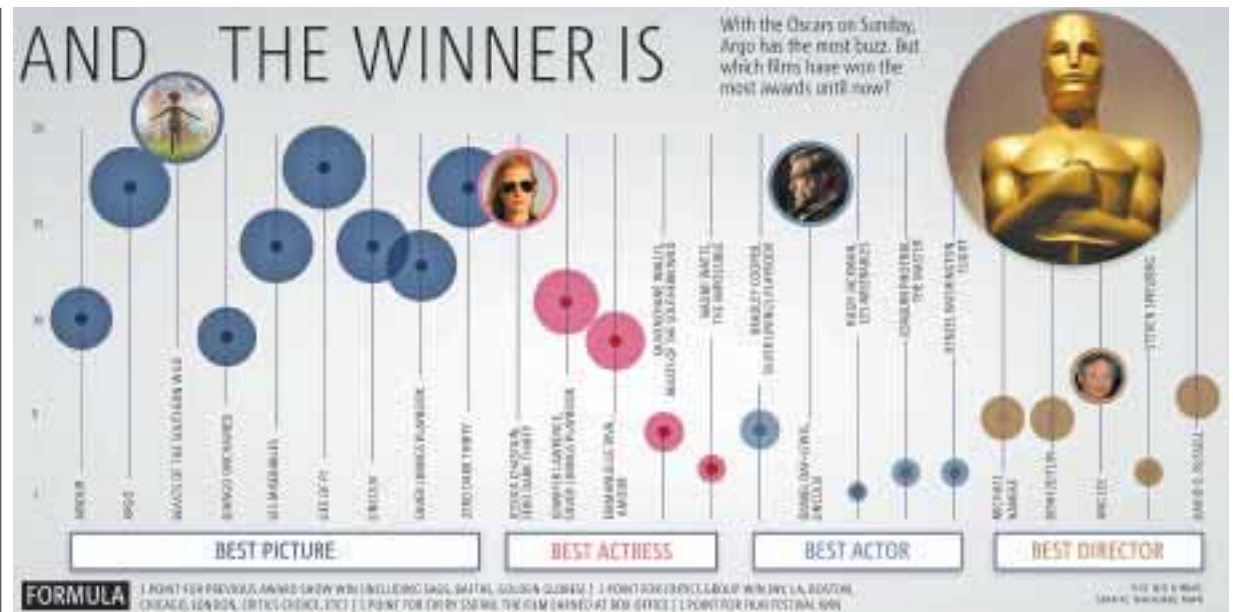
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Rating the hosts

The choice of Family Guy creator Seth MacFarlane may seem like yet another attempt by the older-skewing Oscars to appeal to the kids, but he actually has a surprising tendency toward Old Hollywood style. At parties thrown at his house, MacFarlane is even known to sing standards backed by a big band. While the jury's still out on MacFarlane's performance, we thought we'd see what he has to measure up to from the last few years' Awards.

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Hugh Jackman (2009)

The Australian charmer — who happens to be a nominee for best actor this year — turned in the hosting performance to beat the year Slumdog Millionaire won. His opening song-and-dance number was the standout, but Broadway veteran Jackman proved he's an all-around talent.

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Billy Crystal (2012)

After the Franco/Hathaway disaster, the Academy went back to standby Crystal, who hosted his ninth Oscars. But the funnyman's schtick maybe went too old-fashioned, as his bits were generally panned as hokey and out of touch. Case in point: while many in that precious younger demographic might not necessarily know Crystal was dressing up as Sammy Davis Jr. in one bit, they do know what blackface is.

James Franco and Anne Hathaway (2011)

As we remarked during this train wreck, "Apparently there is something James Franco can't do." This brazen attempt at pulling in younger viewers turned out to be a disaster, with current nominee Hathaway seemingly abandoned by Franco, who seemed to have — wisely — given up on the endeavor before it began.



Alec Baldwin and Steve Martin (2010)

The likeable comic actors relied heavily on their own charm, but it wasn't enough to save the show. With stale jokes and awkward delivery, their performance felt too much like an ad for their equally disappointing 2009 film *It's Complicated*.





Rick Roberts, left, as Jack Layton and Sook-Yin Lee as Olivia Chow on the set of *Smilin' Jack: The Jack Layton Story* in Winnipeg in 2012. SHANE GIBSON/METRO WINNIPEG

Layton bio more than just politics as usual

Love story. Personal life of Jack and Olivia revisited in new made-for-TV movie



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Jack Layton's story is one Laszlo Barna said he knew needed to be told as he watched the nation mourn his death.

The executive producer of *Smilin' Jack: The Jack Layton Story*, which was shot in Winnipeg in 2012, said the tale transcends politics.

"Some people think this is a partisan film, but when you bury someone, it's time to put those labels aside," he told Metro on set, noting Layton's great grandfather was a Father of Confederation, and his father sat as a Tory MP.

"It's a story of this kid

who came originally from a political family — not NDPers — but a political family.

"This film is about a great Canadian."

Layton died in August, 2011 at the age of 61 after a battle with cancer. His death came just a few months after he led his NDP through a spring election, capturing a party-record 103 seats and becoming Canada's official Opposition.

While the film will follow much of the campaign and his political career, Barna said it would also delve into Layton's personal life, including his marriage to fellow NDP MP Olivia Chow.

"It's a love story ... about when he met Olivia, and how they got along together," he said, noting Chow lived with her mother throughout their marriage, which makes for some of the film's more comical moments. "Not a lot of marriages survive that."

The role of Layton is played by Rick Roberts and Chow is portrayed by broadcaster Sook-Yin Lee. Both actors are spending upwards of two hours in the make-up chair during the shoot to make sure they look just like the couple.

"I age through three decades being Olivia Chow," said Lee. "It helps me get

Show time

Smilin' Jack: The Jack Layton Story airs on CBC Sunday, March 10 at 8 p.m.

into character, because when I look in the mirror and see the transformation, I'm no longer physically me."

The role is an important one for Lee, whose own sister was diagnosed with cancer a little over a year ago.

"Living with cancer is an extremely painful and distressing experience," she said. "It's something that was very close to me."

Barna hopes the final cut of the movie will inspire the next Jack Layton.

In memory

"I want people to remember (Jack) and the example he set as someone who served the community. We need a young generation of people to get involved and engaged ... like Jack did."

Laszlo Barna

TV Picks

Who will win best man bum?

This is definitely not the Oscars. If you're yearning to learn who will win the Best Dramatic Performance by a Robot prize, tune into *The Fannies* on Friday. This is the third year for the awards, hosted by Fred at Night host Fred Kennedy. Categories include Best Man Bum, Best Use of Cleavage, Best Use of Swords and the John Stamos Lifetime Achievement Award in the Category of Hair. The *Fannies* are being broadcast during Fred at Night. (Teletoon)

Kissing cousins and fugitive moms

In *Shocking Family Secrets*, viewers can learn how far people will go to keep the truth hidden on Friday. From kidnapped children reared in hiding to married cousins and fugitive moms, the series unravels deeply buried true stories and looks at why and how they got started. (OWN)

That's Precious

You can hunker down in front of the tube with a bowl of popcorn and a



Precious, playing on OWN on Saturday, was nominated for six Oscars. No word on whether *The Fannies* took notice. HANDOUT

slew of movies Saturday. *Precious* is based on the novel *Push* by Sapphire. It received six Oscar nominations, including one for best picture. Geoffrey Fletcher won for best adapted screenplay and Mo'Nique won the award for best supporting actress. (OWN)

Brangelina-thon

Brangelina are all over the airwaves Saturday. Brad Pitt stars in Quentin Tarantino's *Second World War* film *Inglourious Basterds* on WPCH while Angelina Jolie gets triple billing on |

Showcase. *The Tourist* with Johnny Depp is on in the afternoon followed by Mr. & Mrs. Smith (including Pitt) and then *Wanted* with Morgan Freeman.

MuchMore rehab with Dr. Drew

This season of *Rehab With Dr. Drew* follows non-celebrities attempting to get their lives in order. This premiere episode on Sunday is full of tears, fights and ultimately redemption. (MuchMore) **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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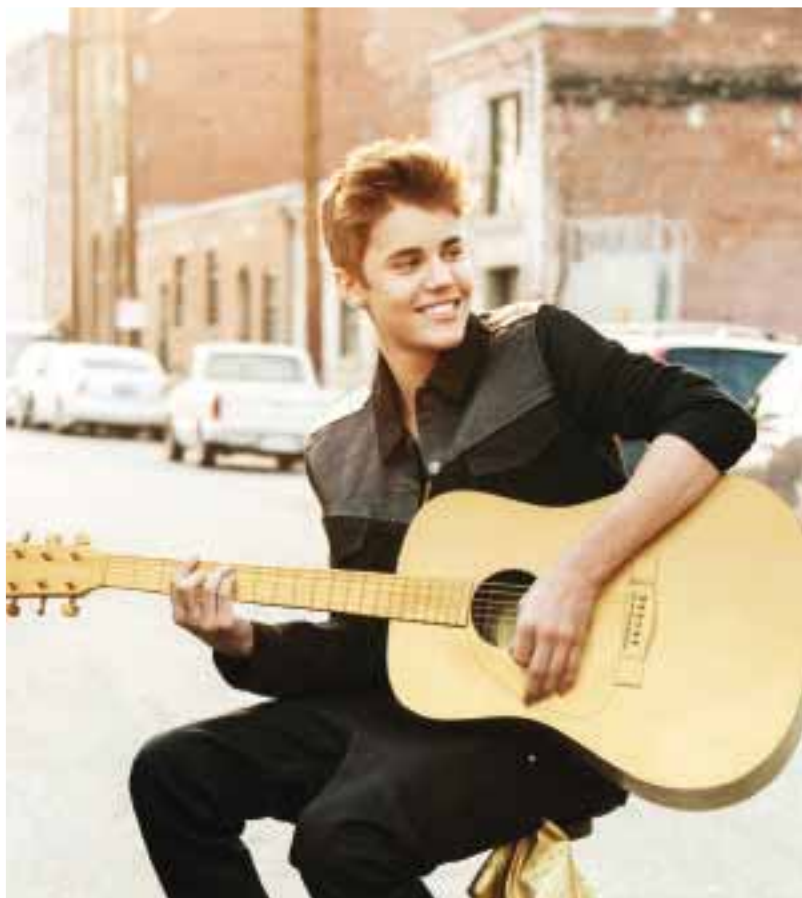
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3 Songs for the weekend

Two of these three videos fall firmly into the WTF category. I'm sure you'll be able to figure it out.



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Taking It Back/ Phone Joan

I first met this band at a music festival in Oslo three years ago and was very impressed. I'm even more impressed today.

Hit You/ Alie Layus

The Playboy Playmate and some of her friends have some interesting encounters with food. I hope they had access to good shampoo.



Quack Like a Duck/ G.O.A.T. and Your M.O.M.

This is a real band from Texas that will go down in history for this one song. Just beware the NSFW-ness of the audio and video.

Lady Gaga thanks her little monsters for their support

Cancelled tour. Born This Way singer says post surgery that her fans gave her strength

Lady Gaga says she's had surgery to fix her hip.

The 26-year-old singer posted on her blog late Wednesday that she had hip surgery and it "happened so fast." She cancelled her Born This Way Ball tour last week.

She thanked her fans in the post, saying they gave her "a lot of strength." Lady Gaga said that as she was wheeled to surgery, she reflected on her fans. She wrote: "Sometimes you are so brave that it terrifies me. I wonder how it's even possible."

Lady Gaga cancelled more than 20 dates on the remainder of her tour, which began last April. She originally postponed four dates last week after experiencing difficulties during her concert in Montreal. She explained to fans on Twitter that she'd hurt herself while performing some time ago.

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Lady Gaga appreciates her fans. GETTY IMAGES



Rihanna and Chris Brown

They found love in a hopeless place?

So much for those breakup rumours. Rihanna is celebrating her 25th birthday this week by escaping to Hawaii with Chris Brown by her side. The birthday girl posted a photo to Instagram of her smiling self perched on Brown's lap in the back of a limo.

They were also spotted seaside in Honolulu, according to E! News. "Chris was leading Rihanna by the hand," a source says of their brief beach walk. "She was puffing on something as she walked

Quoted

"She looked totally free and like she was really enjoying her birthday."

Rihanna was glowing, a source says

and seemed very relaxed and happy. Her hair was blowing and she twirled around. She looked totally free and like she was really enjoying her birthday. Chris was protective and made sure to hold her hand as they walked."



Denzel Washington

Hollywood's lone wolf?

Denzel Washington is not one for Hollywood schmoozing. "Even within the industry, I don't have any actor friends. My friends are my old friends!" the Oscar nominee tells the Guardian.

Sure, but why doesn't he make any new friends, considering how often he co-stars with new people in movies? "Because I don't make friends!" he insists. "Maybe I'm not a butt-kisser. Maybe I'm not a schmoozer. I'm not about to go to a party to

try to get a job. I don't want movie star friends. And being African-American, there were no big movie stars to hang out with anyway, not when I was starting out. They were just the third guy from the back. For whatever reason, I never befriended any white actors." Washington's rep later clarified the report, saying Washington followed up that statement with a few exceptions, including Tom Hanks, Mel Gibson and Julia Roberts.

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The Word



Diane Lane and Josh Brolin to divorce

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"It was a mutual decision. It is very amicable. It's not ugly, it's just over."

A part of the announcement released by a representative for the couple



THE WORD
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After eight years of marriage, Diane Lane and Josh Brolin are over.

A representative for the couple released this curt announcement to Us Weekly: "Diane Lane and Josh Brolin have decided to end their marriage. It was a mutual decision. It is very amicable. It's not ugly, it's just over."

The couple have no children.

What was it, Diane? Was it when he was arrested on a misdemeanor

charge of domestic battery in 2004? Or the two public intoxication charges, one in 2008 and the latest on New Year's Day in Santa Monica? Did you just have enough of the Brolin drunk charm?

And if Brolin's rage issues were that bad when you were "happily married," what in the world will happen when he's drowning his sorrows over the split? If I were the owner of his nearby dive bar, I'd lock my doors.



Shia LaBeouf ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

The LaBeouf rebuff

Shia LaBeouf has exited what would have been his Broadway debut — in a revival of Orphans alongside Alec Baldwin — less than a month before previews were to begin, but there's been plenty of drama since he quit.

LaBeouf, who is rather new to Twitter, decided to use the social-networking site to publish emails between himself, Baldwin, director Daniel Sullivan and co-star Tom Sturridge

that all suggest some sort of squabble between LaBeouf and Baldwin that precipitated his exit. "I'm too old for disagreeable situations," Sullivan writes in an email to LaBeouf. "You're one hell of a great actor. Alec is who he is. You are who you are. You two are incompatible. I should have known it. This one will haunt me. You tried to warn me. You said you were a different breed. I didn't get it."



Matthew Broderick

Lights! Camera! Stop the show!

Matthew Broderick put the brakes on a recent performance of his Broadway show, Nice Work if You Can Get It, when he spotted an audience member taking a video of the show, according to E! News. A

rep for the production confirms that Broderick, upon noticing the filming, called a stop to the action and addressed the videographer in question, asking him politely if he would refrain from doing that.

Twitter



@JuddApatow

Beasts of the Southern Wild is the only movie I have felt the need to watch multiple times this year. That and Stories We Tell.



@rosemcgowan

My nurse is terrifying. I actually need a pain pill, but I'm too scared to ask. #andihatepills



@johncusack

Enough of these silly jousting games I play -I grow weary



@bobsaget

Watched Lincoln on the movie thing on the plane~ the flight was five minutes shorter than the film. Missed the ending. I'm rooting for him.

Party bites worthy of an Academy Award

Canapes may sound stuffy, but they actually are the ultimate in ease when it comes to party food. Plus, they look great and can be combined in endless ways to suit any taste.

So here is simple formula

for making canapes: divide them into four components — bases, spreads, toppings and garnishes. For each canape, all you do is select one item from each category, then assemble. And the easiest way to assem-

ble enough for a party is to set out all of your ingredients (clustered by category), then just start selecting and building.

If you're planning on an Oscars viewing party, you might even consider turning the

making of the canapes into a pre-party. Set out everything on the counter, pour some wine and invite a few guests to come early and help assemble (and sample, of course).

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Each spread recipe makes enough to top 24 canapes. MATTHEW MEAD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bases

- 24 multigrain crackers
- 24 thin slices of seedless cucumber
- 24 toasted baguette slices
- 24 purchased phyllo cups (found in the grocer's freezer section)

Spreads

Zesty Barbecue

- 3 tbsp barbecue sauce
 - 2 tbsp red pepper jelly
 - 1/4 cup sour cream
 - Splash of hot sauce
1. In bowl, stir ingredients.

Orange Sweet Potato

- 1 sweet potato, microwaved until fork-tender
 - 2 tbsp orange marmalade
 - 1 tbsp cider vinegar
 - Salt, black pepper
1. Peel potato and mash in bowl. Stir in marmalade and vinegar. Season with salt and pepper.

Toppers

- Small cooked and peeled shrimp
- Shredded cooked chicken
- Halved cherry tomatoes
- Crab meat
- Small wedges of manchego cheese

Garnishes

- Shaved Parmesan cheese
- Sliced green and black olives
- Sliced hot peppers (such as piri piri or Peppadew)
- Sliced scallions

To assemble the canapes, arrange the bases on a large serving tray. Top each with a small dollop of one of the spreads. Press one of the topping choices into the spread, then finish each with a garnish.

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With the Oscar's awarded this Sunday, here are my picks for the right booze to match with each of the best picture nominees.

Les Misérables

Victor Hugo was French, loved Paris, and Paris loves the wines of Bordeaux. Go Right Bank, where merlot rules and the wines are softer and easier drinking.

Zero Dark Thirty

Osama bin Laden may have abstained, but his American hunters probably enjoyed a shot of Bourbon. Try a robust, single barrel version.

Life of Pi

I'd go with a sweeter white riesling from Germany. It likes pie.

Django Unchained

This spaghetti western, à la Tarantino, deserves a nice Italian red made with the sangiovese grape from Tuscany's Chianti region.

Lincoln

Daniel Day-Lewis is a Brit, and Lincoln had more than enough reasons to take a drink. Together they make a strong case for a full-bodied English (or U.S.) ale.

Argo

Though it's sour grapes for the Academy for leaving its helmsman off the best director list, I'm betting Ben Affleck will be drinking some bubbly, like Moët & Chandon's non-vintage Brut Imperial champagne (\$60.75 to \$65), when his flick wins best picture.

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Get your fancy on with blini

1. Heat the oven to 200 F.

2. In bowl, mix yogurt, horseradish, lemon rind and

salt and pepper to taste. Set aside.

3. In bowl, whisk flours, baking powder, baking soda, salt and sugar. In another bowl, combine buttermilk, egg and butter. Add wet ingredients to dry ingredients and stir until barely combined.

4. Heat nonstick skillet over medium heat. Coat skillet with cooking spray and add batter by level tablespoon amounts. Do not crowd pan. Let cook until bottoms are golden brown, 3 mins. Flip and cook on second side until

Ingredients

- 3/4 cup plain non-fat Greek yogurt
- 1 tbsp bottled horseradish, drained
- 1/2 tsp grated lemon rind
- Kosher salt and ground black pepper
- 1/2 cup whole-wheat flour
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp baking powder

- 1/2 tsp baking soda
- Pinch of salt
- Pinch of sugar
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 large egg, lightly beaten
- 2 tbsp butter, melted
- 3/4 cup flaked or chopped smoked trout or salmon
- 1/4 cup fresh dill sprigs
- 2 oz salmon roe

golden brown, 2 mins. Transfer to baking sheet and place in oven to keep warm. Repeat with remaining batter.

5. When all of the blini have been cooked and you are ready to serve, arrange them

on a serving platter. Top each with some of the smoked trout, horseradish-yogurt blend, a dollop of caviar and fresh dill. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/SARA MOULTON, AUTHOR OF THREE COOKBOOKS, INCLUDING SARA MOULTON'S EVERYDAY FAMILY DINNERS.**

Have a few gaps in your schedule you're looking to fill?
Whether you're hoping to dance, drink or just relax, check out these hot upcoming events.



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Cue the Banjo

The West End Cultural Centre is Pickin' On The Prairies on Friday and Saturday with its two-day blue grass/old tyme music festival. If you're like me and just can't get enough of the banjo, this is something you're going to have to check out. Local performers Ashes, Yes We Mystic, Emma Cloney and others will rock your socks off. Tickets are \$13 and available at Ticketmaster. Check wecc.ca for more info.



Put a little soul into your weekend

The Winnipeg Art Gallery is hosting its annual Art & Soul event. This year's theme celebrates a century of heroes, sins and has-beens in iconic history. Things could get crazy, as a handful of Winnipeg's most well-known DJs are set to keep this party pumping on Saturday. Tickets for this event are \$50, or groups of five for \$450. Get them at artandsoul.wag.ca or in person at the WAG, 300 Memorial Blvd.



Go ga-ga for the Kids & Baby Show

The Winnipeg Kids & Baby Show is taking over the Convention Centre this weekend. If you're looking for the latest baby and toddler products, or perhaps you'd like some expert parenting tips, check it out. Bring the little ones along because there will be plenty for them to do, with the main attraction being a performance by Franklin and Friends. The show runs Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and kids 12 and under are free. Check babyshow.ca for more info.



Fishin' for a cause

Make the trip out to Selkirk Park this Saturday for St. Amant Centre's Red River Dash For Cash Fishing Derby. The derby runs from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. and is \$50 for the first hole and \$25 for each additional hole. You could fish your way to cash prizes, with the top prize being \$2,500! There's also a signed Zach Bogosian jersey up for grabs. Proceeds for this event will go to support St. Amant's Autism Program. For more info, contact Derek at 204-222-7237 or Danielle at 204-330-1161.



Monster Jam Tour

Rev your engines Winnipeg: The Maple Leaf Monster Jam Tour rolls into the MTS Centre this Saturday and Sunday. If you're an adrenaline junkie, nothing gets your motor running like the loud, gritty, high-flying action of a monster truck show. Just like when you were a kid playing Hot Wheels, you can marvel at these beasts flying through the air in race and freestyle competitions, only now the cars are real. There are three shows this weekend, and tickets range from \$15 to \$55 and are available at Ticketmaster.



Don't miss the Heartthrob on Tuesday night

Tegan and Sara kick off their North American Heartthrob Tour in Winnipeg on Tuesday at 8 p.m. The twin-sister singing duo is touring under their Heartthrob album, which was released last month. Unless you've been living under a rock for the last couple of months, you're probably familiar with their first single Closer. Tegan and Sara have a jam-packed agenda right up until September, so see them now, because they'll be busy for awhile. Tickets range from \$29.50 to \$39.50 and are available at Ticketmaster.



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The Baby & Kids Show takes place February 23 and 24, 2013, at the Winnipeg Convention Centre. For tickets, call Ticketmaster at 855-985-5000 or visit ticketmaster.ca. Prices include stage entertainment, all activities, and more. Kids 12 and under are admitted free. Call 204-943-7469 or visit www.babyandkids.ca today.



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"It's never too early to start teaching children to put a priority on safety whenever they're around vehicles," says MaryAnn Kempe, Vice President of Community & Corporate Relations for Manitoba Public Insurance. "It's a lesson that will serve them well now and when they become drivers themselves."

After a short safety lesson, kids get to drive battery-operated jeeps through the course. A parent or adult supervisor must accompany their child. Younger siblings can ride along as passengers. Participants

receive an honorary 'driver's licence,' and a prize.

Mini Cartown will also be seen in other areas of the province this spring and summer. Last year, the popular program played in 29 cities and towns, with enthusiastic reviews from parents and children alike.

For more information on how to invite Mini Cartown to your community event this summer, visit mpi.mb.ca. An online application form will be available online in mid-March.

Manitoba Public Insurance staff will also be at the Baby & Kids Show to answer your questions about child car and booster seats and cycling safely. Parents can challenge their knowledge of road safety with our interactive quiz and win prizes.

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APPLY ONLINE

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The 2013 Sorento LX all-wheel-drive is big enough and tough enough to take on any challenge—even a birthday party full of kids. This crossover vehicle features a six-speed automatic transmission and a 3.5-L engine. Even better, Birchwood KIA is offering an optional seven-seat version—ideal for situations when a little more space is needed.

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You can also pay a visit to Birchwood KIA's showroom, located on 1364 Regent Ave. W. in Winnipeg. Feel free to bring along your partner, and even your kids. A purchase like this affects the whole family, and the Birchwood KIA team wants to ensure everyone's needs are met. The showroom is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

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Preparing for the birth of a child preoccupies most parents expecting a baby. Parents-to-be research and read websites and books, but are they really prepared? Though parents might understand the information, many may not know how to apply the information to their own experience, with their care provider in their chosen place of birth.

Many books and online sources of information are very educational. However, most of this information is from the U.S. and other parts of Canada, and may not reflect the experience of giving birth here in Winnipeg. Parents are often surprised during their labour and birth to hear unfamiliar terminology used and find themselves confused when presented with unexpected options.

Attending a local prenatal class can be a great source of information that is both universal in nature but most importantly, specific to current birth options and local practices right here in Winnipeg. Birth Roots is one of Winnipeg's providers of prenatal education, helping thousands of families prepare over the past 13 years. Childbirth preparation options include group classes (weeknight or weekend series) as well as private prenatal classes taught in your home. Newer offerings, such as HypnoBirthing, provide extra relaxation techniques, and take-home materials. Having recently expanded, Birth Roots not only offers many choices in prenatal education, but also has two locations to choose from (St. Vital and Wolseley). Visit birthrootsdoulas.com or call 204-792-6769

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Currently Welcome Wagon's free service is now being provided in over 500 communities across Canada, including Winnipeg. Winnipeg Welcome Wagon welcomes families into new neighborhoods, visits newborn babies and their moms, provides greetings to new business owners or newly appointed managers, and hosts Bridal Showcase and Baby Shower events twice a year.

If you or anyone you know is interested

in receiving a Winnipeg Welcome Wagon visit, is looking for a new job opportunity, or wants to advertise a business please give Rosalie a call at 204-668-8861 or register online at welcomewagon.ca.

The Winnipeg Welcome Wagon's next free Bridal Showcase and Baby Shower Event takes place on March 17, 2013 at the Radisson Hotel downtown. Enter to win up to \$1,000 worth of prizes, receive a free goodie bag, see a Bridal fashion show or participate in our Baby information sessions. For a free ticket to our Winnipeg Welcome Wagon upcoming event or to become a sponsor/vendor at our show contact winnipegwelcomewagon@gmail.com or phone Alana at 204-221-0684. Be sure to visit and join our Facebook page at Winnipeg Welcome Wagon Events.

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Jets goalie Ondrej Pavelec and teammate Alex Burmistrov defend a shot from Hurricanes forward Andreas Nodl on Thursday in Raleigh, N.C.

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Jets storm back to stop Hurricanes

NHL. Wheeler's pair lifts Winnipeg to victory in North Carolina

Blake Wheeler scored his second goal of the game with 4:54 remaining to lift the Winnipeg Jets to a 4-3 win over the Carolina Hurricanes on Thursday.

Wheeler sped in on a partial breakaway after Carolina defenceman Joe Corvo slipped near the blue-line and beat goalie Cam Ward. Wheeler's goal concluded a stretch where the teams scored three goals in a span of 1:03.

Jiri Tlusty scored twice for Carolina while Jordan Staal also scored for the Hurricanes. Cam Ward made 19 saves.

On Thursday

4

Jets

3

Hurricanes

Andrew Ladd and Evander Kane also scored for Winnipeg and Ondrej Pavelec made 27 saves. Ladd also had two assists.

The Jets have won the first two games of a five-game road trip after losing three in a row at home.

Earlier in the day, Jets rookie defenceman Zach Redmond had surgery to repair a laceration to an artery in his right leg after a teammate accidentally stepped on him

during the club's morning skate.

The injury occurred near the end of practice when Redmond tripped and landed on his back. The teammate then stepped on Redmond with his skate, opening a sizeable wound in Redmond's mid-thigh region — cutting the femoral artery.

Redmond was rushed to the hospital and underwent a three-hour operation, the team said. The Jets added that Redmond was resting comfortably and will be out indefinitely.

Carolina has lost two in a row after a stretch in which it went 5-0-1.

Ladd had given Winnipeg a 3-2 lead at 14:03 of the third after Ward failed to snag a floating puck and then whiffed on an attempt to clear

it from the front of the net.

Tlusty answered 47 seconds later on a quick shot from the slot. Wheeler's go-ahead goal came 16 seconds after Tlusty's goal.

Kane gave the Jets a brief 2-1 lead at 2:10 of the third period, snapping a wrist shot from a sharp angle that eluded Ward's glove.

Staal tied it 1:27 later when the puck bounced to him in the slot. Staal's shot deflected off the skate of a Winnipeg defenceman and got past Pavelec.

The Jets opened the scoring at 1:53 of the first when Wheeler beat Ward blocker side on a harmless-looking wrist shot from the right boards. Ward couldn't handle it, however, and the puck went off the post and into the net. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

NHL

Burke returns to Ducks as scout

Brian Burke joined the Anaheim Ducks as a part-time scout Thursday, a little over a month after he was fired as president and general manager of the Toronto Maple Leafs.

"Any time you can add a person of his quality to your staff, it makes your organization better," Ducks GM Bob Murray said in a statement. "We've had success working together before and look forward to doing it again."

Burke returns to Anaheim where he was the Ducks' executive vice-president and GM from 2005-08. Over his three-plus seasons with the organization, the Ducks captured their first Stanley Cup in 2007. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Brian Burke THE CANADIAN PRESS

NBA

Raps get guard Telfair from Suns

The Toronto Raptors acquired Phoenix point guard Sebastian Telfair ahead of Thursday's 3 p.m. trade deadline, according to multiple reports.

The Raptors sent centre Hamed Haddadi — who never played for Toronto — and a conditional second-round pick to the Suns.

The deal gives Toronto a third point guard, joining Kyle Lowry and John Lucas.

The 27-year-old Telfair is averaging 6.0 points and 2.5 assists this season.

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Jones still unbeaten at Scotties

Curling. Two victories on Thursday has Manitoba sitting pretty at 9-0 with focus on qualifying for 1-2 Page playoff game

The battle of unbeaten rinks at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts on Thursday delivered drama, back-and-forth scoring

swings and plenty of excitement.

Manitoba's Jennifer Jones emerged triumphant after a stellar display of shotmaking gave her a 9-7 win, a guaranteed playoff berth and left Ontario's Rachel Homan with her first loss of the tournament.

Jones shot an impressive 93 per cent and always had an answer for her opponent. Homan was buoyed by the pro-Ontario crowd at the K-Rock Centre in Kingston but it wasn't enough

4 will move on

The top four rinks in the 12-team field will qualify for the playoffs on the weekend.

to prevent her from suffering her first defeat.

Jones then improved to 9-0 in the evening draw with a 7-1 victory over Quebec's Allison Ross (3-6), while Homan (8-1) kept pace with a 6-5 victory

over Nova Scotia's Mary-Anne Arsenault (4-5).

Jones is focused on qualifying for the 1-2 Page playoff game and said she's not really concerned about maintaining a perfect record.

"We had one loss in our provincials and it kind of gave us a kick in the pants," she said after beating Homan. "Right now I feel like we're playing well and we don't need that kick in the pants. So hopefully that's true." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Manitoba skip Jennifer Jones reacts after her winning shot against Team Ontario during draw 12 on Thursday at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts. RYAN REMIOWZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS

NBA				
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	37	14	.725	—
New York	32	19	.627	5
Indiana	33	21	.611	5 1/2
Brooklyn	33	22	.600	6
Chicago	31	22	.585	7
Atlanta	29	23	.558	8 1/2
Boston	28	26	.519	10 1/2
Milwaukee	26	27	.491	12
Philadelphia	22	30	.423	15 1/2
Toronto	22	33	.400	17
Detroit	22	34	.393	17 1/2
Cleveland	17	37	.315	21 1/2
Washington	15	37	.288	22 1/2
Orlando	15	39	.278	23 1/2
Charlotte	13	41	.241	25 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE				
	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	43	12	.782	—
Oklahoma City	39	15	.722	3 1/2
L.A. Clippers	39	17	.696	4 1/2
Memphis	35	18	.660	7
Denver	34	21	.618	9
Golden State	31	23	.574	11 1/2
Utah	31	24	.564	12
Houston	30	26	.536	13 1/2
L.A. Lakers	26	29	.473	17
Portland	25	29	.463	17 1/2
Dallas	24	29	.453	18
Minnesota	20	31	.392	21
New Orleans	19	36	.345	24
Sacramento	19	36	.345	24
Phoenix	18	37	.327	25

Note: division leaders ranked in top three positions regardless of winning percentage.

Thursday's results

Miami at Chicago

San Antonio at L.A. Clippers

Wednesday's results

Memphis 88 Toronto 82

Cleveland 105 New Orleans 100

Minnesota 94 Philadelphia 87

Brooklyn 97 Milwaukee 94

Houston 122 Oklahoma City 119

Miami 103 Atlanta 90

Dallas 111 Orlando 96

L.A. Lakers 113 Boston 99

Golden State 108 Phoenix 98

Friday's games — All Times Eastern

Denver at Washington, 7 p.m.

Chicago at Charlotte, 7 p.m.

New York at Toronto, 7 p.m.

Houston at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.

Sacramento at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

Orlando at Memphis, 8 p.m.

Minnesota at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.

Dallas at New Orleans, 8 p.m.

Boston at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

Portland at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

San Antonio at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
New Jersey	17	10	3	4	45	40	24
Pittsburgh	17	11	6	0	57	44	22
NY Rangers	15	8	6	1	39	38	17
Philadelphia	19	8	10	1	53	59	17
NY Islanders	16	6	9	1	46	57	13

NORTHEAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Montreal	16	11	4	1	46	35	23
Boston	14	10	2	2	41	33	22
Toronto	18	11	7	0	51	41	22
Ottawa	17	9	6	2	40	32	20
Buffalo	18	6	11	1	48	59	13

SOUTHEAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Carolina	15	8	6	1	44	44	17
Tampa Bay	16	8	7	1	61	51	17
Winnipeg	16	7	8	1	41	50	15
Florida	16	5	7	4	40	58	14
Washington	16	5	10	1	43	54	11

CENTRAL DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Chicago	16	13	0	3	55	34	25
Nashville	17	8	4	5	39	38	21
St. Louis	17	9	6	2	53	50	21
Detroit	17	7	7	3	45	51	17
Columbus	17	5	10	2	39	53	12

NORTHWEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Vancouver	15	8	3	4	44	34	20
Minnesota	15	7	6	2	33	38	16
Colorado	15	7	7	1	38	43	15
Edmonton	15	6	6	3	36	41	15
Calgary	15	5	7	3	40	54	13

PACIFIC DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Anaheim	15	12	2	1	53	39	25
San Jose	15	8	4	3	39	34	19
Phoenix	16	8	6	2	44	41	18
Dallas	16	8	7	1	41	43	17
Los Angeles	15	7	6	2	36	38	16

Note: A team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the loss in the overtime or shootout is credited with one point and a loss in the L column.

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Thursday's results

Toronto 3 Buffalo 1

Florida 5 Philadelphia 2

New Jersey 3 Washington 2

Winnipeg 4 Carolina 3

Boston 4 Tampa Bay 2

Columbus 3 Detroit 2

NY Islanders at Montreal

NY Rangers at Ottawa

Vancouver at Dallas

Minnesota at Edmonton

Wednesday's results

Philadelphia 6 Pittsburgh 5

Colorado 1 St. Louis 0 (OT)

Los Angeles 3 Calgary 1

Friday's games

All Times Eastern

Florida at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.

Vancouver at Nashville, 8 p.m.

San Jose at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday's games

New Jersey at Washington, 12 p.m.

Winnipeg at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.

Phoenix at Edmonton, 3:30 p.m.

Colorado at Los Angeles, 4 p.m.

NY Rangers at Montreal, 7 p.m.

NY Islanders at Toronto, 7 p.m.

Tampa Bay at Carolina, 7 p.m.

Nashville at Detroit, 7 p.m.

Columbus at St. Louis, 8 p.m.

San Jose at Dallas, 8 p.m.

Minnesota at Calgary, 10 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL DIVISION							
	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Chicago	16	13	0	3	55	34	29
Nashville	17	8	4	5	39	38	21
St. Louis	17	9	6	2	53	51	20
Detroit	17	7	7	3	45	51	17
Columbus	17	5	10	2	39	53	12
NORTHWEST DIVISION							
	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Vancouver	15	8	3	4	44	37	20
Minnesota	15	7	6	2	33	38	16
Colorado	15	7	7	1	38	43	15
Edmonton	15	6	6	3	36	41	15
Calgary	15	5	7	3	40	54	13
PACIFIC DIVISION							
	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Anaheim	15	12	2	1	53	39	25
San Jose	15	8	4	3	39	34	19
Phoenix	16	8	6	2	44	41	18
Dallas	16	8	7	1	41	43	17
Los Angeles	15	7	6	2	36	38	16

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First Period

1. Buffalo, Ennis 6 (Stafford) 13:20

Penalties — Brown Tor (Roughing) 15:08,

Sulzer Buf (Holding) 19:18.

Second Period

2. Toronto, Phaneuf 3 (Kessel, Franson)

1:15 (pp)

3. Toronto, van Riemsdyk 10 (Kessel,

Kostka) 18:04

Penalties — Gerbe Buf (Tripping) 3:38,

Porter Buf (Goaltender Interference) 7:08,

Bench Tor (Too Many Men) 12:55.

Third Period

4. Toronto, van Riemsdyk 11 (Franson,

Phaneuf) 14:28 (pp)

Penalties — Scott Buf (Fighting) 3:07,

McLaren Tor (Fighting) 3:07, Gerbe Buf

(Roughing) 4:14, Phaneuf Tor (Roughing)

4:14, Porter Buf (Tripping) 12:36, Hecht

Buf (Delay of Game) 13:20, Komarov Tor

(Holding) 16:00.

Shots

Buffalo 13 6 13—32

Toronto 10 15 10—35

Goal — Buffalo: Miller (L, 6-9-1).

Toronto: Scrivens (W, 5-4-0).

Power plays (goal-chances) — Buffalo: 0-3.

Toronto: 2-5.

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

Rules are meant to be broken, especially if they were made in someone else's favour. The bottom line is that your own needs come first. If that means going too far in some people's eyes, well, so be it.

♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Not everyone is as careful and conscientious as you and there is a real possibility that a mistake has been made. It may not be a serious one but it could affect you in some way, so check other people's work.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

There is one particular thing that needs your full and undivided attention today. You know what it is and you know you will have to focus hard if you are going to succeed. Don't let anything distract you.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Honesty is essential, even if it means that a long-standing friendship is put to the test. You may be tempted to avoid the truth to spare someone's feelings but in the long-term it will do more harm than good.

♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Someone needs to keep a clear head today and that someone has to be you. Others may get emotional but you must insist on common sense all the way down the line, for their sake as well as your own.

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

There are so many changes going on that you probably can't keep track of them all. Don't worry. Most of them will work in your favour. One warning though: Don't make promises you may not be able to keep.

♏ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Certain duties may be a pain but you know they have to be done. Even with its petty annoyances this could be a positive time for you. Show people that you can be trusted to work on your own.

♐ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Something you had a hard time getting your head around yesterday will be as clear as crystal today. No doubt you will mentally kick yourself for being so dense but don't worry about it. You're allowed an off day now and again.

♑ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

The first step in resolving a problem is to admit that it exists, so stop making excuses and face the reality of your present situation. The moment you do that is the moment the answers start coming.

♒ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Something is worrying you but you can't put your finger on what it might be. Whatever it is the planets suggest it's not worth the effort, so focus on more pleasant thoughts. Don't let worry become a habit.

♓ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

A new path is beckoning and all you have to do is put one foot in front of the other and start walking. Just do it, otherwise you'll find all sorts of reasons to stay where you are.

♈ Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

If you have an important decision to make today, you must take your time and get it right. If people press you to decide right away you can bet there is more in it for them than there is for you.

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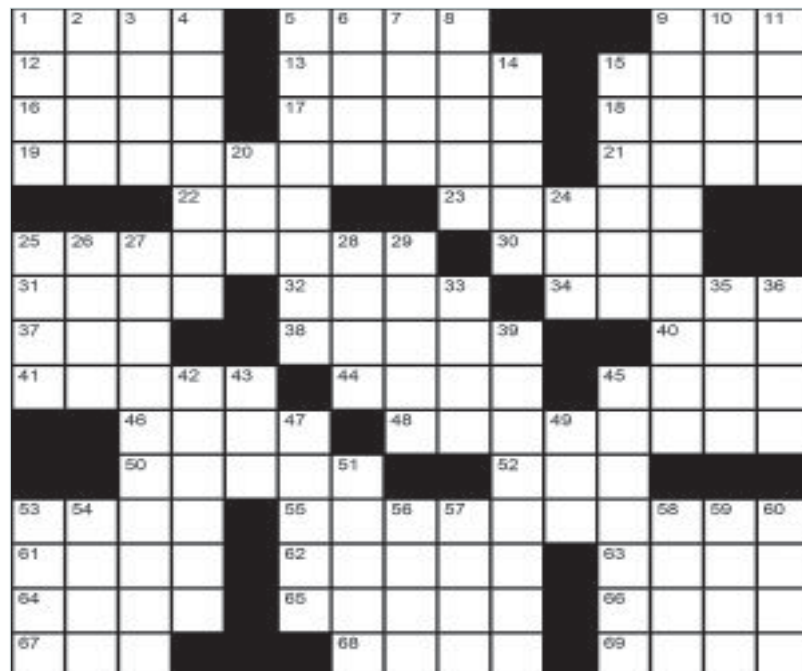
Crossword: Canada Across and Down

Across

1. Slightly open
9. Switch
12. ___ Modern (London, England art gallery)
13. French painter Edouard
15. Ben Affleck movie up for Best Picture
16. Aesir ruler
17. Solo
18. Subj. with maps
19. This year's Oscars host, Seth ___
21. Actor Jared
22. Soak flax
23. Actor Mr. Hawke
25. Great Lake
30. Elegant instrument
31. Get ___ deal
32. "Ghostbusters" (1984) character, Dr. ___ Spengler
34. Bit of an '80s Bonnie Tyler hit: "I ___ hero..."
37. Greek alphabet's 19th letter
38. "Sexy ___" by The Beatles
40. Help
41. Daytime's DeGeneres
44. "A Beautiful ___" (2001)
45. "Behold!" to Brutus
46. Radar signal
48. Those up for Oscars
50. Speedy
52. Texter's "Are you serious?!"
53. Squabble
55. Item on Wolfgang Puck's Governors Ball menu for the Oscars: ___ with Pesto and Grilled Vegetables
61. Actress Ms. Russo
62. Blatant
63. British playwright, ___ Coward
64. Mrs. Lincoln's maiden name
65. Clown in the opera Pagliacci
66. Prefix that means "Within"
67. Fire or Army
68. Cable sports channel
69. Chair

Down

1. Bit of matter



2. Will Smith's wife
3. Suffix with "Problem"
4. Holt ___ (Swanky retailer)
5. Colourful candies
6. Partition
7. Old World buffalo
8. Type of pasta
9. Environmental activism group
10. "___ Stung" by Elvis Presley
11. "Is that for here or ___?" (Fast food query)
14. Pre red carpet appointment, ___ whitening
15. Dazzling
20. Irish airline, ___ Lings

24. Harrison Ford role, ___ Solo
25. Fully satisfy
26. ___ Mountains (Range in Russia)
27. "Canadian Man" country singer: 2 wds.
28. Old Irish alphabet [var. sp.]
29. Sculptor of The Thinker
33. El ___ (Warm ocean current)
35. Board game pieces
36. Lemony drinks
39. Alberta city
42. Joyful
43. ___-and-tuck
45. Search ___ (Google, and others)
47. Basketball court maneuver

49. Pixie
51. Bell Biv ___ (Music group)
53. Title for a Miss, in Spanish [abbr.]
54. Hireling
56. Mil. titles
57. "What ___ off!" (It's too expensive)
58. No-fly, for one
59. Catherine ___ Jones
60. Frequently: 2 wds.

Yesterday's Crossword



Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku



Weather

TODAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

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MIN: -6°MAX: 2°
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